

Water street, and very central. Mr. Merritt places his easel in position to-morrow morning and until the first lot of portraits are finished will be busy as a bee, so that nobody can fail to see him by calling. He has taken the orders of several leading citizens, two ladies and one child.

Sol Kohn writes from New York for a copy of the daily EAGLE as he wants to see what it looks like. Sol used to overtake us by tag us because we couldn't see our way clear to start an associate daily paper. We sent him a copy of yesterday morning's issue containing the figures of Wichita's population, which now reaches thousands, where it only counted hundreds when he used to do business up on Main street. Better come back, old man, to your first love.

IMPORTANT TO THE CITY AND HER MERCHANTS.

It may all be well enough, probably, to vote bonds for new railway enterprises, and to grasp for large things generally as a city, but it sometimes happens that smaller, but more important interests are lost sight of. For years the farmers of the west side for many miles out have come to this city to do all their local marketing and retail trading. They were simply compelled to. It is very desirous to hold this trade for the future, but the truth is the facilities and inducements must be made and kept superior. Now the wagon road leading west from Robt. Lawrence's through Delano township has been worked a good deal, but for quite a distance it is in a deplorable condition on account of the sand belt which crosses it. This road must be fixed. Now that farmers are no longer compelled to use it, or to take their goods to their trading, they are grumbling long and loud over that road. One prominent farmer from out west said to us only last evening, that if that road wasn't fixed so that he and his neighbors could get to town with a full load without dragging the lives out of their horses, that they would be compelled to go down to Goddard or Gardner Plains. Hundreds, sometimes more than a thousand teams pass over this road one way or the other in the course of a single day, and we give fair warning that this matter can only be neglected to the damage of the retail trade of the city and to the grain and live stock markets.

OUR NEXT FAIR.

D. A. Mitchell, secretary of the Arkansas Valley Agricultural society, has begun collecting material for the premium list of the next county fair, which will be held on September 20, and October 1, 2 and 3, 1884. He is now canvassing for advertisements, and has left upon a very novel, and we believe much better plan for securing them than any heretofore adopted. Instead of the advertiser paying cash for his advertisement, he pays for it by offering a special premium on whatever class of goods of article he may select. For instance, McComb Bros. offer a fine saddle and bridle, worth \$20, to the best lady equestrienne, and Innes & Ross offer a handsome \$12 crocheted shawl to the prettiest lady under eighteen months old. This will be seen that all advertisements will be carefully read by every one. Mr. Mitchell has already secured a large number of advertisements, and the premium list will be issued at an early day. The society are going to try and make the fair this year superior in all respects to any ever held in the county.

A SPLENDID BOOK.

Colonel John Russell has been appointed the agent for Walter R. Houghton's book, containing the life of Blaine and Logan and the history of the party, together with valuable political statistics. This is a book of about 500 pages and a splendid campaign work which will soon be out of press. The political matter it contains, covering every important thing, together with the principles and achievements of the republican party from Free Soil days down to the present, makes it an invaluable work for every man who takes any interest in party matters. It is so bound that the votes for all the presidential campaigns and a thousand and one things else which everybody at times desire to refer. The book is printed in clear type on fine paper, but what is the best feature about it is its cheapness. A volume in cloth and gold is but \$2.00, and a leather library edition but \$2.50. The work ought to go off like hot cakes, and no doubt will, for we don't know anyone who will want to be without it.

ESCAPED INTO THE TERRITORY.

Under Sheriff Derby who went to Wellington a few days ago for the purpose of arresting Frank Peck, returned home Friday night without his man. It seems that Peck, after stabling Egan at the Douglas Avenue house, and escaping the officers here, went to Wellington where he secured employment at a hotel. A few days later a lady connected with the Douglas Avenue went to Wellington on a visit and happened to put up at the house where Peck was working. She at once recognized him, and wrote back to friends in this city the nature of his discovery. Peck saw and recognized her, and was not slow in concluding what course she would pursue, and to be on the safe side, he went directly to his proprietor, drew what was coming to him, and vanished into the territory, having left Wellington two days before the under sheriff went in search of him. As there was no clue as to the route he had taken, or in which direction he went, Derby concluded it would be useless to try and follow him, so returned home.

WILD RUMORS.

A good many wild rumors have been about to the effect that gladiators were prevailing to an alarming extent among the horses and mules owned by farmers living around Andover and Greenwich. As near as we can ascertain the reports have been greatly exaggerated, though there are some few animals in that locality afflicted with the disease. State Veterinary Surgeon, A. A. Holcomb, has been over the ground, and pronounces the disease glaucoma, and even went so far as to order Sheriff Fisher to kill some of the animals. This order was rather precipitate and not in accordance with law, as no apprehension of danger had been made, and of course Sheriff Fisher declined to carry out the killing part, so wrote Holcomb. The animals most afflicted, we believe, are named by Messrs. Mahand, Hyberger and Horner, and these are getting better under the treatment of the local doctors, who claim that the disease is not glaucoma, and that there is no danger of its spreading. Sheriff Fisher will again take a look over the field next Wednesday.

NEARLY AN ACCIDENT.

There is a strong probability that we will soon have to chronicle a serious accident at the Santa Fe crossing of Douglas avenue. Numerous narrow escapes have been made by teams driving across the tracks while trains or the switch engine were in motion, notably prominent being the attempt of a farmer to cross the track yesterday while the switch engine was pushing some cars north over the street, the train only missing the farmer's team a few feet. Coming down Douglas avenue it is almost an impossibility for a driver to tell when an engine is coming, either from the north or south, and the surprise is that there has not been a serious accident. In the cities where there is such a constant passage of teams, as at this point, a flag man is stationed, whose duty it is to notify all of the approach of trains, and this would not be a bad idea to introduce here.

SHORT HORN SALE.

All lovers of pure thoroughbred cattle will be pleased to learn that on Tuesday, July 1, Wm. Ross, of Clearwater, will offer for sale, at Packer's stock yards in this city, his entire herd of thoroughbred Short Horn cattle, consisting of both male and female, and middle-aged. We believe, each member of his herd has a straight pedigree, and the purchasers can rely on getting blooded stock. Mr. Ross' reputation is such that whatever he says in regard to his cattle will be accepted as facts. The sale will

begin at 12 o'clock, and will probably be attended by all prominent breeders in the state.

NEW BUILDINGS.

Architect J. J. Crist is now busily engaged in draughting plans for a new two-story brick, 25x100, to be erected by Mr. Wright on the lot next to Woodman's bank. This building is to be provided with a very fine and artistic front.

He is also working on plans for Robert Black's large three-story brick, 100x100, to be built at once on the corner of Topeka and Douglas avenues.

Plans are also being made for a business house, 30x100, to be erected on Market street, between Douglas avenue and First street.

CHURCH NOTES.

Preaching at the Presbyterian church at 11 a. m. by the pastor, Rev. Hewitt; Sunday school at 2:30 in the afternoon. In the evening Rev. Hewitt will deliver a discourse on the recently discovered document by Bishop Bryennius, Metropolitan of Nicomedia. This is a very ancient document, and is called "Didache, or the Teachings of the Apostles." The sermon on this occasion promises to be extremely interesting, and will no doubt be listened to by a full house.

The Methodist church will have their regular services at the risk to-day. Preaching at the usual hour in the morning and evening by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Phillips; Sunday school at 2:30 o'clock.

The new Methodist church at Cartwright will be dedicated this morning at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Kelly, of Winfield, delivering the sermon. At 2:30 p. m. a sermon will be preached in the new church by Rev. Phillips, of this city.

Reformed Mission services, conducted by the pastor, Rev. L. G. Brown, will be had in the Episcopal church this morning at 11 o'clock.

Services at the Baptist church to-day at the usual hours. Preaching by the pastor both morning and evening. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. The public cordially invited to attend.

The A. M. E. church will hold regular services morning and evening. Sabbath school at 2:30.

The usual services will be held at the Catholic and other churches of the city.

DISTRICT COURT.

The following business was transacted in the district court yesterday:

Mary E. Falkenstein vs. Samuel and John Falkenstein; judgment for plaintiff in the sum of \$800, and ordered that certain real estate be set off for her.

Mary E. Falkenstein vs. John F. Falkenstein; dismissed.

Jacob McManah vs. W. M. Burns, removed to Reno county for trial.

Hagood Plov company vs. Samuel Cahle, Defendant's death suggested and case continued.

J. W. Hinton vs. W. & S. W. S. R. Co. Removed to Reno county for trial.

A. Eads vs. T. S. Beach, continued.

The cases of Thomas McLaughlin et al., M. J. Shinn, James W. Hinton, W. C. Woodman, F. Stockman, Catherine Graftenstein, W. Matthews, Ellen Smith and William F. Shies et al. vs. Deffenbaugh, Lewis & Co., all removed to Cowley county for trial.

M. A. Bergman vs. Emanuel Werner et al., continued.

John C. Koles vs. St. Louis & San Francisco railroad company, settled and dismissed.

Joseph Schorowitz vs. the A. T. & S. F. railroad company, removed to Reno county for trial.

John G. Hopkins vs. N. Pennell, continued by consent.

Anna M. Garvey vs. P. V. Healy, settled and dismissed.

W. G. Keenan vs. A. T. & S. F. railroad company, removed to Reno county.

James A. Vincent vs. William Long, settled and dismissed.

The jury in the Davis divorce case brought in a verdict at 2 o'clock Friday night. They found the defendant guilty of extreme cruelty and gross neglect of duty. They found the plaintiff not guilty of any of the charges in the cross petition. The court now has the case under advisement, but will most likely grant a divorce, and division of property also. The defense has given notice that he will file a motion for a new trial.

Court adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

PERSONAL MENTION.

James Balken, of Winfield, was in the city yesterday.

Wm. A. Willis and wife, of Valley Center, were in the city yesterday.

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